

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (previously presented) A security label comprising: a carrier film; a first layer of a non-affixing polymeric coating printed on the film which is substantially inadherable to the carrier film, the non-affixing polymeric coating comprising a UV rotary letter press ink, and the first layer defining affixing regions providing a first pattern, said affixing regions being substantially devoid of the non-affixing polymeric coating; a second layer of an affixing material comprising a plurality of affixing pigmented polymeric coatings to provide a second pattern on the label; wherein affixing portions of the second layer adhere to the carrier film via the affixing regions defined by the first layer; and the security label further comprises an adhesive to adhere the label to a support, the UV rotary letter press ink of the first layer comprising a short chain polymeric substance, having a three-dimensional lattice structure, and the affixing material comprising a UV rotary letter press ink, comprising a long chain polymeric substance, having a two-dimensional structure.

2. (original) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the first layer is less adherable to the carrier than the second layer.

3. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein, in use, when the carrier film is removed from the first layer, the affixing portions of the second layer remain adhered to the carrier film.

4-5. (canceled)

6. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the carrier film comprises a plastics material.

7. (original) A security label according to claim 6 wherein the plastics material comprises a polyester.

8. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the carrier film comprises any other suitable polymeric material, or paper.

9. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the carrier film is formed of a light transmitting material.

10. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the carrier film is transparent or translucent.

11. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the carrier film has a thickness of less than 0.2mm, preferably less than 100 microns.

12. (original) A security label according to claim 11, wherein the thickness is in the range of substantially 25 microns to substantially 50 microns.

13. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the first layer is formed of a light transmissive material.

14. (original) A security label according to claim 13 wherein the first layer is transparent or translucent.

15. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 13, wherein the first layer is clear.

16. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the first layer comprises a film of a polymeric material, for example a polyester film.

17-18. (canceled)

19. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein different affixing regions defined by the first layer have the shape of different letters, whereby words can be formed from said letters.

20. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the second layer comprises a plurality of pigmented polymer coatings, to allow printed matter in a desired pattern to be applied to the first layer as the second layer.

21. (canceled)

22. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the affixing material comprises a pigmented polymeric coating with a long chain polymeric structure.

23. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 further comprising a release layer, provided on the second layer.

24. (original) A security label according to claim 23 wherein the release layer comprises a liner, including an adhesive resistant material.

25. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 24 wherein the adhesive is provided on the release layer, the adhesive being coated thereon and so that it can be transferred to the second layer.

26. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein a sealing layer is provided between the second layer and the adhesive to prevent movement of the adhesive into the second layer.

27. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein an adhesive material is applied to the second layer to provide an adhesive layer.

28. (original) A security label according to claim 27 wherein the adhesive material comprises a hot melt adhesive, curable by light.

29. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 27 comprising a release layer, wherein the release layer is provided on the adhesive layer.

30. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 27 wherein a pattern layer is provided on the second layer and an adhesive material is provided on the pattern layer.

31. (original) A security label according to claim 30 wherein the pattern layer comprises a metallised material.

32. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 further including a removal layer to allow the carrier to be removed from the support, the removal layer being provided on a removal region of the second layer.

33. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 32 wherein the removal layer comprises a silica compound.

34. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein the second layer comprises a confuse pattern region to render unreadable any matter printed on the carrier film.

35. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 1 wherein an identification layer is provided for identification purposes.

36. (original) A security label according to claim 35 wherein the identification layer includes an activatable material which defines an identification pattern.

37. (previously presented) A security label comprising: a carrier film; a first layer of a non-affixing polymeric coating printed on the film which is substantially inadherable to the carrier film, the non-affixing polymeric coating comprising a UV rotary letter press ink, and the first layer defining affixing regions providing a first pattern, said affixing regions being substantially devoid of the non-affixing polymeric coating; a second layer of an affixing material comprising a plurality of affixing pigmented polymeric coatings to provide a second pattern on the label; wherein affixing portions of the second layer adhere to the carrier film via the affixing regions defined by the first layer; and the security label further comprises an adhesive to adhere the label to a support.

38. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 37 wherein the UV rotary letter press ink of the first layer comprises a short chain polymeric substance, having a three-dimensional lattice structure.

39. (previously presented) A security label according to claim 37 wherein the affixing material comprises a UV rotary letter press ink, comprising a long chain polymeric substance, having a two-dimensional structure.